REMARKS

The indication in the Advisory Action of April 4, 2006, that claim 8 would be allowable if submitted in a separate amendment, is acknowledged with thanks. In reliance thereon, the present amendment places claim 8 in independent form and amends claim 9 to depend from claim 8.

The Examiner indicated, in a telephone interview on April 14, 2006, that claim 9 may be amended as proposed herein.

Claims 1-7 and 10-15 have been canceled to place the application in condition for allowance.

Reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

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